

OUR MISSION

The Historical Commission is charged with the responsibility to promote, protect and facilitate the preservation of buildings, structures, sites, objects, and districts of historic significance and value that exist in the Township. Preservation of these resources is in the best interest of the prosperity and welfare of the people of Upper Moreland because it enhances property values, improves aesthetics of the built and natural environments, and creates the potential for heritage tourism.

WE WELCOME YOU AND YOUR COMMENTS

The Historical Commission welcomes your feedback and encourages you to become involved. Our meetings are open to the public every 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Caucus Room of the Upper Moreland Township Building.

As a historic property owner, you know it takes an extraordinary amount of time, resources, energy and interest to preserve and restore a property. Please let us know if there is a specific topic you would like more information about or if you have a general concern regarding a particular historic resource. Every historic resource is undoubtedly an invaluable asset to our entire community's future.

CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS

Rebecca Berman

Jacqueline Cherepinsky

John Connell

Sue Maron

Udo Maron, Architect

Phoebe Park

Arlene B. Rubin, Attorney

Susan Worth-LaManna, U.M. Commissioner

Steven Worthington, Historical Association

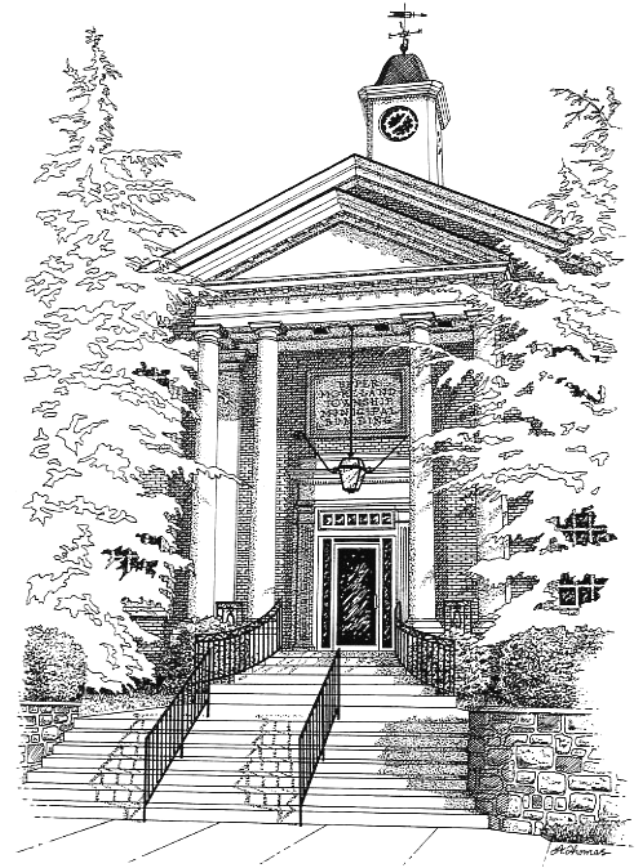
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UPPER MORELAND HISTORICAL COMMISSION



*The Role, Responsibilities and
Mission of the
Historical Commission
of Upper Moreland Township*

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE

In July of 2001, the Upper Moreland Board of Commissioners enacted into law Historic Preservation Ordinance No. 1451, which created an overlay map of the entire Township to include all historic sites within the Township and to encourage preservation of sites significant to the history and development of the Township.

The ordinance contains specifications for the creation of the Upper Moreland Historical Commission, consisting of up to fifteen members from the community to include an architect, a real estate agent, a representative from the Advisory Planning Agency, a Township Commissioner, an attorney, two members of the Upper Moreland Historical Association, and up to eight members from the general public with an interest in preserving the history and legacy of Upper Moreland.

Any member of the community with such an interest may contact the Historical Commission through the Township Offices to discuss their possible involvement in the work of the Commission.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMISSION

The Upper Moreland Historical Commission has the general responsibility of promoting

historic preservation in the Township by performing the following:

- Publishing printed material related to historic preservation;
- Adding historic preservation related material to the Township web site;
- Holding events to promote and educate Township residents about historic preservation.



- Educating historic resource owners about grants, tax incentives and the benefits of protection provided by state and federal government historic preservation programs and laws.
- Educating historic resource owners about the potential benefits of having a resource listed on the Upper Moreland Historic Resources Inventory including honorary designation, improved development opportunities and protection.

- Advising the Board of Commissioners concerning acquiring, restoring, preserving, reconstructing, or rehabilitating historic resources in the Township.

DEVELOPING THE HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY

The Historical Commission is charged with administering the Historic Preservation Ordinance No. 1451 and developing an Inventory of qualifying properties. The Commission works closely with the Upper Moreland Historical Association to obtain pertinent historic information on various sites that have been researched throughout the Township. We proactively recognize and promote those sites that meet application qualifications to the Inventory. The Commission also welcomes nominations for inclusion.

GRATEFULLY RECOGNIZING THE UPPER MORELAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Like the Commission, the Association fosters and encourages preservation of our community's past for the benefit of future generations. The Association has accomplished tremendous results in preserving our heritage, collecting artifacts, documenting and producing written materials, and holding events that build on community values.